

agent, and four by the person or persons interested or in his her or their absence by the sheriff.'

6th. In the 15th line after the word 'said' insert the words 'twelve remaining.'

7th. At the end of the 18th section insert the following proviso.

"And provided also, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any person so prosecuted from maintaining a civil action in any court of law of this state having cognizance thereof, to recover damages for injury by such person or persons sustained."

8th. In the 1st line of the 24th section, after the word 'ascertain,' insert the words 'and value.'

9th. In the same line after the word 'damages,' insert the words 'will be excepted or.'

10th. In the 2d line of the same section, strike out the word 'assessed,' and insert the word 'ascertained.'

11th. In the 4th line of the same section, strike out the words 'provided always that if,' and insert the words 'and if they cannot agree with.'

12th. In the 5th line of the same section, strike out from the word 'shall' to the word 'managers.' in the 6th line both inclusive, and insert the words 'as to the amount of damages.'

The amendments were read and assented to, and with the bill, on motion of Mr. Johnson ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Dennis from the committee to whom was referred the bill to authorise Avra Melvin of Worcester county to remove certain negro slaves from the state Virginia to this state, reported the same with the following amendments, to wit:

Strike out all the bill after the word Eliza, in the 5th line of the 1st section, and in lieu of the part of the bill so stricken out, insert, "and may dispose of the same within three years from the time of their importation, any thing in any existing law of this state to the contrary notwithstanding; provided he make the entries of said slaves on the records of Worcester county according to the existing laws of this state; and provided the said Avra or any purchaser of said slaves do not manumit the said slaves within three years after their importation into this state."

Which amendments were read and assented to. The said bill was then read a second, and by special order a third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.